## **HOW DO I APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID?**

• Step 1: Complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid).

Apply online at www.fafsa.gov. AACC's school code is 002058.

Apply as early as Oct. 1 for the next school year.

AACC's FAFSA filing deadlines: Fall term - Aug. 15 • Spring term - Jan. 15

Note: If your FAFSA is received on or after the filing deadline, you must make the required down payment at the time of registration at AACC. FASFA data is processed during the whole school year.

Step 2: Visit the Maryland Higher Education Commission Website.

For information on state scholarships, go to www.mhec.state.md.us.

Deadline: You must file your FAFSA before March 1 to be considered for state grants and scholarships.

Step 3: Complete AACC's Scholarship Application.

For information visit www.aacc.edu/scholarships

Priority application deadlines: Fall term - April 15 • Spring term - Nov. 1

Step 4: Search for Private Aid.

There are many free scholarship websites, including:

www.studentaid.gov | www.fastweb.com | www.scholarships.com | www.goodcall.com

### **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

AACC Financial Aid www.aacc.edu/aid

www.aacc.euu/aiu

Student Loan Data System

www.nslds.ed.gov

Direct Loans (MPN)

www.studentloans.gov

Selective Service

www.sss.gov

Internal Revenue Service

www.irs.gov

State Scholarships

www.mhec.state.md.us

Anne Arundel Workforce Development Corp. (WIA)

www.aawdc.org

**VA Benefits** 

www.gibill.va.gov

Americorps

www.americorps.org

Federal and state financial aid guides also are available from our office.

### IMPORTANT NUMBERS

AACC Academic Advising

410-777-2307

AACC Cashier's Office

410-777-2236

AACC Financial Aid

410-777-2203

**AACC General Information** 

410-777-2222

Direct Loans (MPN questions)

800-557-7394

Federal Aid Program

800-433-3243

**IRS Tax Return Transcripts** 

800-908-9946

State Scholarships

410-767-3300 or 800-974-0203

Veterans Affairs

888-442-4551

# Financial Aid Fast Facts

# THE FINANCIAL AID PROCESS AT ANNE ARUNDEL COMMUNITY COLLEGE: HOW DOES IT WORK?

- 1. Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at www.fafsa.gov using the information from your federal tax returns. AACC's school code is 002058.
- 2. Complete an AACC admissions application online at www.aacc.edu or come to any of our locations to meet with one of our admissions counselors. Be sure to include your Social Security number when you apply so we will be able to access your FAFSA data.
- 3. The AACC financial aid office will send a letter to your home address and an email to your MyAACC account when we receive your FAFSA, which takes about five business days. Set up your MyAACC account when you log in for the first time and be sure to check it often! You can use the "Self Services" tab to view important information from the college.
- **4.** If we request more information or documents, be sure to respond quickly! During peak processing, information review can take up to six weeks. To see requested documents, use your MyAACC account. Select Self Services > Credit Students > Financial Aid > Requested Financial Aid Documents.
- 5. An award letter stating your financial aid eligibility will be sent to your home address and emailed to your MyAACC account. A book advance to purchase textbooks and supplies from the AACC Bookstore can be issued if your award is more than the cost of your tuition and fees.
- **6.** To apply for a Federal Direct Student Loan you must turn in a Loan Request form. This form will be available to you when you receive your award letter if you are eligible to borrow. If you are a first-time borrower, you also will need to complete the Entrance Counseling at **www.studentloans.gov**, and the Master Promissory Note (loan agreement) after AACC processes your loan.

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